

## Solid Waste and Future Fees

PRESENTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL ON APRIL 15, 2023



# Background

- During the Council Retreat on February 13, 2024, council discussed multiple items that included discussion on:
  - Future of Solid Waste Program
  - Street Maintenance Fees
  - Storm Water Fees
- Staff is here today to discuss these items and possible impacts to future years budget

## Solid Waste Fund – Financial Overview

- Proprietary fund charge customers for refuse, recycling and city administrative cost
- Refuse and recycling operations outsourced to Waste Connections
  - No SW rate increases FY2019-2023
    - Financial strategy was to draw down fund balance in Solid Waste Fund (FY2019- FB% was 63%)
  - Council approved new 5-year contract on May 1, 2023
    - Extend Contract through September 2029
  - Prior year CPI increases (22%) Waste Connections' Contract
    - FY2022 4% Increase
    - FY2023 10% increase
    - FY2024 8% increase
  - Future CPI
    - FY 2025 6% or CPI increase whichever is greater
    - FY2026-2029 CPI Increase

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## Solid Waste Fund – Financial Overview

- Proposed SW Customer Rate Projections:
  - FY2024 20% "True up" Contract CPI adjustments
    - Average residential cost \$3.64 a month
    - Did not cover all increases as CPI was 8%
  - FY2025 6% increase or CPI
  - FY2026-2029 CPI increase
    - Review Franchise Fees and Administrative Costs

# Estimated Rates

	Waste Connection Rates - Monthly			Resident Rates-Monthly			
		8%	6%				
		FY24	FY25	Citizens Rates	2024	2025 Difference	Y
		\$	\$		Ś	\$	1
Residential	Waste Collection	16.61	17.60	Waste Collection	\$ 16.20 17.60		
		\$	\$		\$ \$	\$	1
	Recycling	3.09	3.27	Recycling	3.00 3.27	0.27	-
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		\$			\$	\$	
	Total	19.69	\$ 20.88	Total	\$ 21.84 23.65	1.81	2
		\$	\$		\$	\$	1
	Waste Collection	26.16	27.73	Waste Collection	\$ 23.43 27.73	4.30	
Small Collections		\$	\$		\$ \$	\$	
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# Solid Waste 5-Year Projection

ACCOUNT DESC	CHAR CODE	2024 YEAR END BUDGET	2024-2025 ESTIMATE	2025-2026 FIVE YR FORECAST	2026-2027 FIVE YR FORECAST	2027-2028 FIVE YR FORECAST	2028-2029 FIVE YR FORECAST	2029-2030 FIVE YR FORECAST
		519,420	416,698	431,880	446,244	459,733	472,289	483,851
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES	\$4,218,898	\$4,664,095	\$4,938,849	\$5,230,133	\$5,538,946	\$5,866,352	\$6,213,477
	INVESTMENT EARNINGS	\$27,528	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$15,000
REVENUE		\$4,246,426	\$4,679,095	\$4,953,849	\$5,245,133	\$5,553,946	\$5,881,352	\$6,228,477
	OUTSIDE SERVICES	\$3,834,518	\$4,143,461	\$4,393,864	\$4,659,491	\$4,941,268	\$5,240,177	\$5,557,259
	EQUIP MAINT & REPAIR							
	UTILITIES	\$11,000	\$11,330	\$11,670	\$12,020	\$12,381	\$12,752	\$13,135
	CLAIMS AND INSURANCE	\$1,449	\$1,492	\$1,537	\$1,583	\$1,631	\$1,680	\$1,730
	MISC	\$404,493	\$407,472	\$429,723	\$453,256	\$478,148	\$504,477	\$532,331
	COST ALLOCATION EXP	\$51,629	\$53,178	\$54,773	\$56,416	\$58,109	\$59,852	\$61,648
	TRANFERS OUT	\$46,058	\$46,979	\$47,919	\$48,877	\$49,855	\$50,852	\$51,869
EXPENDITURE		\$4,349,148	\$4,663,912	\$4,939,486	\$5,231,644	\$5,541,390	\$5,869,790	\$6,217,971

Fund Balance	416,698	431,880	446,244	459,733	472,289	483,851	494,356
Percentage Fund Balanvce	10%	9%	9%	9%	9%	8%	8%

## Solid Waste Fund Recommendations

- Best practice to pass through all expenses and increases waste hauler
- Budget for consultant to assist in future solid waste RFP
  - Potential Savings to incorporate other fees
  - Polycarts, franchise commercial
  - \$40,000 in FY25 budget
- •Incorporate litter abatement into solid waste fund in future
  - \$130,000 annual contract reduced from General Fund
  - \$1.00 Monthly Fee
- •Incorporate a Street Maintenance Fee in FY26
  - Possible savings from new solid waste contract
  - Staff to hire a consultant to assist in calculations

# Street Maintenance Fees

### Street Maintenance Fees

- •Dedicated funding source to assist in maintenance of existing roadways.
- Cannot be used on reconstruction or new construction
- •Included on water bill as a separate fee
- •Requires calculation for creating fee similar to impact fees.
- Reduce burden on GF while increasing funding

## Other Communities



## Fort Worth – March 4

Trey Shanks—vice president with Freese and Nichols, which provided infrastructure management consulting on this report—said that if the city were to adopt a street maintenance fee, proposed funds could be \$66.1 million. He added that the proposed rate structure would include the following rates per month for each land use category:

- \$9.22 for single-family homes
- \$5.65 for one multifamily unit
- \$9.08 per 1,000 square feet of office space
- \$12.06 per 1,000 square feet of retail/commercial space
- \$15.80 per 1,000 square feet of dining space
- \$2.67 per 1,000 square feet of industrial space
- \$2.71 per 1,000 square feet of institutional space

The news release states that if adopted, the city would join 12 other cities in Texas that have begun utilizing street maintenance fees.

# Possible Revenue Opportunities

#### **Current Street Maintenance Budget**

- \$1,111,500
- Includes Contracted Services and purchase of material for staff work

	Possible Revenues from Street Maintenance Fees							
Based on 15,997 Residential Properties								
	Rate		Monthly	<b>A</b> nnual				
\$	1.50	\$	23,995.50	\$	287,946.00			
\$	2.50	\$	39,992.50	\$	479,910.00			
\$	4.00	\$	63,988.00	\$	767,856.00			
\$	5.00	\$	79,985.00	\$	959,820.00			
\$	7.00	\$	111,979.00	\$	1,343,748.00			
\$	8.00	\$	127,976.00	\$	1,535,712.00			
\$	10.00	\$	159,970.00	\$	1,919,640.00			

# Storm Water Utility Fees

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- Dedicated funding source for drainage improvements throughout the community
- •Can be used for on-going maintenance and/or capital projects depending on funding level
- •Requires calculation to determine fee
- Bring consultant contract forward in August

## Other Communities



# Possible Revenue Opportunities

#### Current Drainage Maintenance Budget

- \$597,156
- Includes entire budget which includes staff, equipment and materials.

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## Next Steps

#### Solid Waste

- Review fund as part of the budget process and adopt new rates
- Rates include passing through all solid waste collection, administrative, and franchise fees
- Include supplemental for consultant to assist in RFP for new solid waste contract
- Discuss best practices to establish rates
- Review litter abatement funding source

#### Street Maintenance Fees

- Include supplemental for consultant to assist in street maintenance fee structure
- Coordinate implementation with update solid waste contract

#### Storm Water Fee

Utilize existing funding to hire consultant to start reviewing possible fee structure

# QUESTIONS/COMMENTS